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Docket No. GC634-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Bron et al.) Group Art Unit: 1653
Serial No.: 09/954,737) Examiner: Leffers, Gerald G. Jr.
Filed: September 17, 2001)
For: Twin-Arginine Translocation in Bacillus)))

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: March 4, 2004

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Office Action dated November 5, 2003:

one month to March 5, 2004; the extension fee is \$110.00.

two months to _______; the extension fee is \$420.00.

three months to _______; the extension fee is \$950.00.

four months to _______; the extension fee is \$1,480.00.

five months to _______; the extension fee is \$2,010.00.

The extended time for response does not exceed the statutory period.

The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated ______.

[X] Charge \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 07-1048.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC634-2). A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 4, 2004

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